

Page 17, line 8, after "surface", insert --,--;
 line 13, delete "cope with the", insert --accommodates a--; and
 line 15, delete "and is", insert --it offers--, and
 delete "it", insert --and--.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-8 and 25-26 without prejudice or disclaimer.

REMARKS

Claims 9-24 are pending herein. Applicant has canceled claims 1-8 and 25-26 without prejudice or disclaimer. No new matter has been added. Applicant believes the case is now in condition for examination.

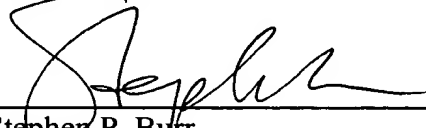
The specification has been amended in the same manner as in the parent application and to identify the parent application.

Filed herewith is an Information Disclosure Statement listing all references cited during prosecution of the parent application.

If the Examiner believes that contact with applicant's attorney would be advantageous toward the disposition of this case, he is herein requested to call applicant's attorney at the phone number noted below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1446.

Respectfully submitted,



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